



## ISWP Training Working Group Integration Subcommittee

### October 19, 2016 Meeting Recap

The ISWP Training Working Group Integration Subcommittee met by conference call on Wednesday, October 19th 10th, 2016 from 07:00 a.m. to 08:00 a.m. U. S. Eastern Time. This provides a recap.

**Link to Meeting Recording:** <https://iswp.adobeconnect.com/p6m9dmid8n8/>

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, November 9th, 2016, 07:00 a.m. U.S. Eastern Time.

#### Action Items:

##### 1. Potential/Current Participants:

- ISWP team to follow up with Ritu Gosh to check if the Integration SC call timings work for her and if it doesn't then request her if she can stay in the distribution list and provide inputs when she can.

##### 2. Integration interview update:

- Karen to connect with Barbara Crane to schedule an interview.
- Catherine to connect with her contact personnel in Japan.

3. Integration Template Update: Catherine to provide an update on the Template update in the next meeting.

4. High-Level Meeting: Krithika to send out a doodle poll for the sub-group to schedule a meeting to discuss on next steps.

## **Discussion:**

### **1. Approval of Agenda**

Agenda was approved.

### **2. Approval of Minutes: Meeting September 14th, 2016**

Minutes was approved.

### **3. Business Arising from the Minutes (other than Ongoing Business below): New Members**

The action items from the previous minutes were cross-checked.

New potential members: Krithika provided an update that she had contacted Ritu Ghosh and awaiting response. Mary followed up with Theresa and she is interested to join the subcommittee.

### **4. Integration Interview Update**

Karen provided the group with an update. She has been updating the google doc as and when the interviews are taking place. In Africa, Nicky had interviewed two institutions, one from Sudan and other from Togo. One of the interview has been completely transcribed and the other is in progress. The interviews were in English. In Central and South America, Maria Toro conducted interviews in Spanish and it is currently being translated. For North America, two institutions from Canada were interviewed, one of those interview has been transcribed and the other is work in progress. There is another interview in Canada that is scheduled to happen on October 21<sup>st</sup>. So far we have none in Asia and Europe. For Australia, Karen had contacted Lauren and is awaiting response.

Paula added that she had contacted colleagues from Netherlands to see if she can schedule an interview, she is awaiting response from them. Catherine mentioned that she will be able to contact her colleagues in Japan within the next few weeks. Paula added that the other person in the list of people to be interviewed is Barbara Crane.

Six interviews has been completed so far, one scheduled for October 21<sup>st</sup> , counting in Barbara Crane, the Japan and the Netherland's contact, the total comes to ten which was the group's target. Krithika updated that she followed up with the Africa contacts, one from Togo and other from Rwanda and she had scheduled interviews with both which Nicky will lead. Karen asked the group to email her if they needed a copy of the interview transcripts.

For the preliminary analysis, there has been different topics of discussion. For example, from the interview in Togo, lots of discussion on funds and internet connectivity challenges has come up whereas in Canada, the topics of discussions focused on how to make the wheelchar related courses mandatory into the existing programs. Nancy requested Karen to elaborate on the funding topics from the Togo interview. Karen explained that they have funding from charities but that's mostly used to donate wheelchairs. She reminded the group about the consent forms and also requested the interviewers to provide her with a feedback on the interview guide. Maria Toro mentioned that the interview guide worked fine for her and her only comment was that guide was in English when she had to interview in Spanish. Paula added that discussion on fundings can come up when the question on barriers to the delivery of wheelchair content is being asked.

## **5. Integration Pilot Sites Update**

Krithika provided an update to the group. The second integration pilot site meeting was held on October 5<sup>th</sup>. There were 12 participants for the meeting. The recordings were shared as a follow-up. The current offerings from ISWP (basic test and the hybrid course) were shared, partnership framework was discussed. The meeting also included the existing training approaches, sharing existing training resources/challenges as well as using google plus community as the platform. The next meeting is scheduled for November 16<sup>th</sup>. In a follow up email, Mary requested everyone to submit a template on their current wheelchair content offered at their university, also the delivery/evaluation methods that they are using to the google plus community. One of the topic of discussion for this meeting was: *Why do PTs need to know how to prescribe wheelchair?*

Mary also requested them to submit a syllabus for the wheelchair that they are teaching or a course where ample wheelchair content is covered and this might include

lectures, lesson plans included in their native language in which that is taught. Paula, Edward and Theresa Plummer had already shared contents in the google drive. ISWP team to finalize the list of sites in the coming months and to caution on sending the follow-up requests to those who did not attend as it might be overwhelming.

Please find the latest list of integration pilot sites in the google drive here: [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1v6Jg4J182aYY\\_pucm0F4EdKhjggZlyDY9HHI\\_WaEEz0M/edit#gid=0](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1v6Jg4J182aYY_pucm0F4EdKhjggZlyDY9HHI_WaEEz0M/edit#gid=0)

Ideal timeframe fits Indian Spinal Injuries Center and the University of Manitoba as they would be the first partners and gradually add on partners depending on their timeframe. Edward Giesbrecht from University of Manitoba is still thinking through the process and Dr. Pearlman contacted Nekram Upadhyay from Indian Spinal Injuries Center and they confirmed their participation in the integration efforts

## **6. High Level Meeting Planning Update**

Paula provided an update that Nicky and Tamsin met with Chapal and they had discussed on the high-level meeting. There has been a change to the date of the meeting. Initially, the group intended to hold the meeting on February 8<sup>th</sup> or 9<sup>th</sup>, it has now been changed to February 7<sup>th</sup> 2017 and it will be a 4 hour meet (2pm to 6pm). This meeting will tag on to the end of the DAR meeting and prior to the CBR meeting. An email invite has been drafted. The plan is to send it to WFOT, WFPT and ISPO and that we will have three representatives from these organization.

Nancy asked the group if ISWP will take the lead in sending out the invites. Sue mentioned that the invite will be coming out from WHO. Prior to the meeting, ISWP information along with integration subcommittee activities will be sent out so that its useful for the members to come prepared for the meet.

Paula requested Nancy's help in putting together the packages that need to be sent out to the members of the meeting and also that the group should plan on a timeline to send it out beforehand. Sue suggested to have the informations in the packages very brief. Catherine requested that these documents focus on what professional organisations can do to support wheelchair services expansion through professional

education. Sue mentioned that what is expected as an outcome of the meeting from these organisations will be sent out too.

Paula proposed to hold another high-level subgroup meeting to discuss on what to include in the packages, timeline to send them out and to finalize on who will be attending.

## **7. Integration Template Update**

Catherine was unable to provide an update on the Template update due to her tight schedule. Hope to get an update in the next meeting.

## **8. Survey#1 Article submitted and journal club**

The submission was declined. Karen is in the process of formatting the paper to submit to the ISWP special issue for the African Journal of Disability.

Nancy gave an update on the journal club. The aim is to get more students involved in the wheelchair services and to learn on what is happening in the wide sector. Alex has been requesting the working group members to invite interested students or colleagues to participate in the journal club.

Alex is looking into a date to kick off the journal club in October. Alex, Anand and Sara will facilitate the meeting.

## **9. Upcoming conferences**

### **a. ISS 2017:**

**i Abstract submitted for survey article:** Presentation has been accepted.

**ii Collaboration on abstract submitted by Rhona Moot and Stephanie Tanguay:**

This has been accepted. Paula and Mary are working with Rhona and Stephanie to write a combined abstract.

**b. ISPO 2017:** No abstract has been submitted from the group.

c. **WCPT 2017:** No abstract has been submitted from the group. Barbara Crane is on a panel discussion on the GATE initiative.

**10. Call for Funding Proposal:** Nancy mentioned that ISWP does not have any plan at this moment for another round of funding proposal. Nancy to keep the group updated if anything changes.

## **11. Google+ Community**

Paula shared about the wheelchair skills program, work by Dr. [Lee Kirby](#). Subcommittee members are invited to post too.

### **Participants** *(check mark indicates participation on call)*

- ✓ Paula Rushton, University of Montreal (*co-chair*)  
Nicky Seymour, Motivation (*co-chair*)  
Barbara Crane, Hartford University
- ✓ Sue Eitel, Eitel Global
- ✓ Karen Fung, University of Montreal  
Ritu Ghosh, Mobility India  
Michelle Hollier, UCPRUK  
Tamsin Langford, Motivation  
Kylie Mines, Motivation Australia
- ✓ Catherine Sykes, WCPT
- ✓ Maria Toro, CES University
- ✓ Nancy Augustine, University of Pittsburgh  
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